

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace Paragraph [0024] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0024] Referring now to Figure 6, the amount of flow through spool valve 64 also contributes to the damping force blowoff level, according to the following formula:

$$\left[ Q = \alpha \sqrt{P \left( \frac{AS}{BH^2} \right)} \right] \quad \underline{Q = \alpha \sqrt{P \left( \frac{AS}{BH^2} \times \frac{AO - AS}{BV^2} \right)}}$$

In the above formula:

$Q$  = the blowoff level

$\alpha$  = flow coefficient of damping fluid

$F$  = force

$AS$  = diameter of bore 112

$BH$  = diameter of valve member 110

$AO$  = diameter of bore 124

$BV$  = area of orifice 86 or 94 which is open

$P$  = pressure